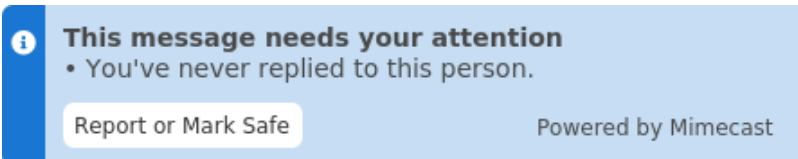


# EXHIBIT A

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**Subject:** Re: [NYT] Plaintiff's Discovery Motion  
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Thanks Max. We are in agreement on issues 2 and 3.

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**EXTERNAL Email**

Hi Zach,

Thanks for getting back to us.

**Issue 2:** When OpenAI says that it is willing to collect and produce documents related to “pre-training” and “post-training,” we are intending to cover the entire training process. We don’t see “the training itself” as a separate phase, and we aren’t withholding training-related documents on the grounds that they relate to some other, hypothetical part of the process separate from pre-training or post-training. Accordingly, we believe that, per your email, the parties are in agreement on this issue.

**Issue 3:** OpenAI isn’t sure that there are any responsive non-custodial documents. But if our reasonable investigation shows otherwise, we will collect and produce those documents. With that clarification, do we have an agreement?

**Issue 1:** Understood.

Best,  
Max

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Vera,

Thanks for the call and the email.

On Issue 2, can you please confirm that OpenAI will not limit its productions to documents related to “pre-training” and that it will conduct a reasonable search for documents related to all stages of training, including pre-training, the training itself, and post-training. If you can confirm this, then we should have an agreement on Issue 2.

On Issue 3, can you clarify whether OpenAI is also willing to conduct a reasonable search for non-custodial documents concerning Bing Chat and Copilot?

On Issue 1, The Times does not agree to this proposal, particularly because the proposal is limited to training data. The proposal also omits GPT.

Best,  
Zach

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**EXTERNAL Email**

Alex, all,

Thanks for meeting earlier today. As discussed, we're following up in writing with what we discussed on the call regarding the subjects of your letter motion.

**1. Discovery into Specific Large Language Models**

Without conceding relevance, OpenAI is willing to permit inspection of the training data underlying GPT-2 and GPT-3, to the extent it can be found through a reasonably diligent search, if doing so will resolve the dispute. This does not alter the current scope of discovery to include GPT-2 and GPT-3. The agreement here would be without prejudice to any party's rights. This agreement would also be without prejudice to the right of third parties to object to disclosure of training data on contractual grounds, though we do not presently expect any

such objection to be made with respect to that data.

## 2. Discovery Into the Model Training Process

OpenAI is willing to make all training data (which consists of pre- and post-training data) for GPT-2, GPT-3, GPT-3.5, GPT-3.5 Turbo, GPT-4, and GPT-4 Turbo available for inspection, to the extent it can be found through a reasonably diligent search, if doing so will resolve the dispute. Additionally, OpenAI can confirm that its document production will include documents relevant to the model training process as it relates to training. This agreement would likewise be without prejudice to the right of third parties to object to disclosure of training data on contractual grounds.

## 3. Specific Products

Without conceding relevance, OpenAI is willing to run reasonable search terms and produce non-privileged documents related to Bing Chat and Copilot that are in our possession, custody and control, if doing so will resolve the dispute.

We look forward to hearing back from you.

Thanks,

Vera

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Alex,

Could you please forward the invite to the KVP team?

Thanks,

Catherine

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Yes, that works. I'll send an invite.

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Hi Alex,

Thanks for getting back to us. We unfortunately aren't available at 3:30ET -- would 4:30ET work for your team?  
We appreciate your flexibility and look forward to discussing.

Best,  
Max

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Hi Max,

We can meet at 3:30 ET. If that works I can send an invite.

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Counsel,

We are in receipt of your discovery motion. As to category 2, we are not sure we are actually at an impasse. First, we have been investigating whether it is feasible to make available for inspection post-training data beyond data related to the Times. We had been planning to send you an email today confirming that we are willing to conduct a reasonable search for that data, and make it available for inspection. That resolves at least part of your motion. Second, as to your broader point about wanting documents about “key aspects of the model training process” (such as the training data collection process, documents about RHLF, etc.), we are searching for and producing many of these documents. I think there may be confusion over the terminology that we are using, which is causing you to believe that our collection and production is narrower than it actually is. Given the pending motion, please provide times tomorrow when you are available for a call, so that we can try to clear up the confusion and narrow, if not eliminate, the dispute.

Best,

Max

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